

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Matthew B. Wall and Timothy R. Wall

Application No.: 09/898,506 Group: 2172

Filed: July 3, 2001 Examiner: Not Assigned

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PROVIDING A SEARCH ENGINE FOR  
OPTIMIZING A DECENTRALIZED OR EMERGENT MODEL ON A  
COMPUTER NETWORK

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 2327  
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Preliminary Amendment for filing in the above-identified application.

[ ] Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a Small Entity Statement previously submitted.

[ ] A Small Entity Statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

(COL. 1)	(COL. 2)	(COL. 3)	(COL. 4)	(COL. 5)
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
TOTAL	20	MINUS	* 20	0
INDEP	2	MINUS	** 3	0
<input type="checkbox"/> FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM				

\* not fewer than 20  
\*\* not fewer than 3

SMALL ENTITY	
RATE	ADDIT. FEE
X \$ 9	\$
X \$42	\$
+ \$140	\$

TOTAL = \$ 0

OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY	
RATE	ADDIT. FEE
X \$18	\$
X \$84	\$
+ \$280	\$

TOTAL = \$ 0

Please charge Deposit Account No. 08-0380 for the following fees:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Petition for [ ] month Extension of Time	\$	_____
<input type="checkbox"/>	Amendment Fee	\$	_____
<input type="checkbox"/>	Other Fees:		
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	TOTAL:	\$	<u>0</u>

A check is enclosed in payment of the following fees:

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	TOTAL:	\$	<u>0</u>

☒ A general authorization is hereby granted to charge Deposit Account No. 08-0380 for any fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17 in order to maintain pendency of this application. A copy of this authorization is enclosed for accounting purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

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